

Entry of the foregoing, and early and favorable consideration of the subject application on the merits is respectfully requested.

By the present Amendment, claims 1-26 have been deleted without prejudice or disclaimer. New claims 27-37, directed to DNA encoding the polypeptides of the present invention, have been added. These claims derive support from throughout the specification and claims as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this Amendment, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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